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Subject: RE: Scheduling of Testimony and Other Logistical Issues in Docket No. 2018-319-E

Randall,

Just got off the phone with all of the parties that have filed testimony in this docket (Richard Whitt for SBA; John Burnett and Frank Ellerbe for Duke; Stinson Ferguson for NAACP, Upstate Forever, CCL; Thad Culley for Vote Solar; Carrie Grundmann for Walmart; Bridgett Lee for Sierra Club; Scott Elliott for SCEUC; and Hasala Dharmawardena)

All parties are in agreement that this hearing will go into the week of 3/25, with a general consensus that it will likely take 4 to 5 days – understanding of course that the length could vary due to cross examinations and Commissioner questions.

No party objects to ORS's request for a March 25th date certain for Witnesses David Parcell and Dan Wittliff. Several other parties have witnesses traveling from afar and would just ask for set dates as well. Those parties, if they haven't already, will reach out to you regarding date certainties for their respective witnesses. For scheduling purposes, ORS anticipates that Witnesses Parcell and Wittliff will each take about half of a day on the stand.

If it suits the Commission ORS would like to utilize panels for 6 of our witnesses, presenting them in pairs, while presenting Witnesses Parcell and Wittliff individually. No other party objected to our use of panels, and I believe the other parties with multiple witnesses would like to do the same.

One thing that would be helpful for planning purposes would be if you could let us know what order the intervenors will be presenting testimony.

Thank you for your assistance, please let us know if we can provide you with anything else!

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Dear Counsel:

Since my communication with all of you earlier today inquiring about setting dates certain for some of the ORS witnesses to testify, I have received similar requests from other parties. I have consulted Jo Wheat for advice on how best to manage this hearing, which looks to be unusually long, and I want to do everything I can to ensure that we allocate time efficiently and enable the Commission to complete this hearing in the most orderly way possible in the fewest days possible. To that end, before finalizing dates certain for any witnesses, I would request that the parties let everyone know (while knowing that this may change as we get closer to the hearing) whether they plan to present witnesses in panels, how many panels they plan to present, and how long they anticipate that their testimony will take. I know there are some indeterminate variables affecting the time it may take for parties to present their cases, but your best guesses would be helpful. Do the parties believe that there is a possibility we could finish on Friday, March 22? If not, how long do you all believe the case will continue into the following week? Your assessments are important to our planning efforts. The more information you can provide to me, the more effectively we can plan how to proceed. Thanks very much for your help.

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